The sway of foreign direct investments on the performance of domestic firms

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Abstract

The purpose and research objective of this paper is the influence of foreign direct investments on the performance of domestic firms which is analyzed through a case study of Southeast Europe, and in particular of Macedonia. The conception of this analysis uses the methodology of the World Bank’s Enterprise Surveys, which have been conducted on many countries using firm-level data of representative sample of economy's private sectors. The data used in this article are analyzed with Tobit model, and as employed in this study it examines the impact of foreign ownership through set of variables. The main findings of the analysis demonstrate that foreign ownership has positively influenced the performance of domestic owned firms. As a consequence, an underlined conclusion of this research is that foreign direct investments influence various variables of a domestic economy and are major source of capital that can be used to power the overall economy foreward.

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